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TITLE:	AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING A LEVEL OF CONFIDENCE IN A RISK ASSESSMENT AND/OR DETERMINING A LEVEL OF ACCEPTABILITY OF AN EVENT OCCURRING	

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on July 22, 2006.

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner made a restriction requirement, under 35 U.S.C. §121, between Group I, Claims 46-62 and 82-86, and Group II, Claims 63-81. Applicant elects the Group I claims, (Claims 46-62 and 82-86), with traverse.

While the first group of claims is directed to an apparatus for assisting a user in determining a level of confidence in risk assessment, and the second group of claims is directed to an apparatus for assisting a user in determining a level of acceptability of an event occurring, the Applicant considers that no further search is necessary, and no additional burden is placed on the Examiner, to consider all of the claims, which the